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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition for preventing or treating peptic ulcer, comprising:
 - (i) an American ginseng extract in an amount effective for preventing or treating peptic ulcer; and
 - (ii) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier;
 wherein said American ginseng extract consists essentially of a preparation obtained by a process consisting essentially of extraction with a solvent, centrifugation, and filtration through an ultrafiltration membrane with molecular weight cut off at least 1,000 to give a retentate, and concentration of the retentate; and the retentate consists essentially of compounds having molecular weights of between 1,000 and 10,000 dalton, and compounds having molecular weights of above 10,000 dalton.
2. (Cancelled).
3. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1, wherein said American ginseng extract is extracted with a solvent having a polarity higher than 0.88.
4. ^{original} (Withdrawn) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 3, wherein said American ginseng extract is extracted with 10% - 80% ethanol aqueous solution.
5. ^{original} (Withdrawn) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 3, wherein said American ginseng extract is extracted with water.

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6. (Cancelled).

7. (Cancelled).

8. ^{original}
(Withdrawn) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1, wherein said solvent is water or 10% ~ 80% ethanol aqueous solution, and said ultrafiltration membrane with molecular weight cut off at least 1,000 is a membrane with molecular weight cut off 3,000 to give a retentate containing substances with molecular weight greater than 3,000 dalton, and the retentate being concentrated to give the American ginseng extract.

9. (Cancelled).

10. (Cancelled).

11. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1, wherein said peptic ulcer is a gastric ulcer or duodenal ulcer.

12-22. (Cancelled).

23. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1, wherein said American ginseng extract is filtered through the ultrafiltration membrane with molecular weight cut off 3,000.

24. (Cancelled).

25. (Cancelled).

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26. (Currently amended) The pharmaceutical composition of claim [[25]] 4, wherein said American ginseng extract is filtered through the ultrafiltration membrane with molecular weight cut off 3,000.

27. (Cancelled).

28. (Currently amended) The pharmaceutical composition of claim [[27]] 5, wherein said American ginseng extract is filtered through the ultrafiltration membrane with molecular weight cut off 3,000.

29. (Currently amended) The pharmaceutical composition of claim [[24]] 3, wherein said American ginseng extract is filtered through the ultrafiltration membrane with molecular weight cut off 3,000.

30-37. (Cancelled).